

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-17 (canceled)

Claim 18 (currently amended): An immunological composition comprising a combination of four distinct and separately made protein-capsular polysaccharide conjugates, wherein the first conjugate comprises the purified *N. meningitidis* capsular polysaccharide of serogroup W-135 conjugated to a carrier protein, the second conjugate comprises the purified *N. meningitidis* capsular polysaccharide of serogroup Y conjugated to a carrier protein, the third conjugate comprises the purified *N. meningitidis* capsular polysaccharide of serogroup A conjugated to a carrier protein, and the fourth conjugate comprises the purified *N. meningitidis* capsular polysaccharide of serogroup C conjugated to a carrier protein, further wherein said immunological composition elicits a serum IgG response and a serum bactericidal antibody is capable of eliciting an immune response in a human to each of said polysaccharides.

Claims 19-57 (canceled)